
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Merchant Shipping (Ship-to-Ship Transfers) Regulations 2020

Prohibited bunkering operations

10.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2) and regulation 11 (exemptions), a bunkering operation must not be carried out in United Kingdom waters unless the ships carrying out the operation are within harbour authority waters.

(2) Paragraph (1) does not apply to a bunkering operation—

- (a) between a ship and an offshore installation;
- (b) between a ship and its rescue boat or tender;
- (c) to or from a warship or naval auxiliary ship;
- (d) to or from any other ship owned or operated by a State and used solely, for the time being, on government non-commercial service; or
- (e) carried out by or on behalf of a general lighthouse authority.

(3) In this regulation, “rescue boat” means a ship designed or used to rescue persons in distress and to marshal life rafts.